



MRS. BAYARD TAYLOR.

The Famous Traveller's Widow Is Again Living In America.

Not alone because of her name is the personality of Mrs. Bayard Taylor an interesting one to her friends in New York, among whom she has once again taken up her residence after many years of absence abroad. She is a woman of signal literary ability, as was abundantly shown by the able manner in which she discharged the duties devolving upon her as the literary executor of her husband, not to mention her own contributions to periodical literature and magazine of "Letters to Young Housekeepers," which have been received with remarkable favor.

Besides preparing and editing the two volumes of "Lifelong Letters of Bayard Taylor," Mrs. Taylor edited two editions of her husband's poetry after his death and two posthumous volumes of prose, "Studies in German Literature" and "Literary Essays and Notes." Just now she is at work on a new edition of Mr. Taylor's "History of Germany," first issued in 1875, to which will be added a supplementary chapter by herself, bringing the work down to date.

Mrs. Taylor is the daughter of the late Professor Hinman, a well-known astronomer of Gotha, Germany, and it was to that beautiful and progressive city that she returned a few years after Mr. Taylor's death in order that she might conform to the dying wishes of her widowed mother. It was never her intention to make her permanent residence there, though her beloved daughter, who was Miss Julian Taylor, is married to a German medical man.

Mrs. Taylor and her son have become pretty thoroughly Americanized to be able to resist the inducements to pursue her life in her native land, which her family connections and the great love in which her late husband is held there must make powerfully tempting to her care. Mr. Taylor's memory is revered in Germany as one of the best propagators of Goethe, and Mrs. Taylor herself has been made an honorary member of the Goethe society of Weimar, to which the German emperor and many other royalties consider it an honor to belong.

## Do You Fold Your Napkin?

There is a great deal of uncertainty as to whether it is or is not the thing to fold the napkin after a formal meal. If one is staying in the house and knows that napkin rings are in use, it seems a redoubt upon that custom to drop the napkin down in an unlifted napkin. An elegantly-appointed table deserves better treatment, even at the end of the meal, than those disheveled piles of decency, too. Therefore it always seems safest to simply half fold the napkin, and not attract attention to it either by one obtrusive habit or the other.

## Where to Lay the Dinner Tools.

In laying the ceremonial dinner table be careful to see that the oyster fork lies on the right with the knives, the other forks on the left; the napkin also lies at the left, while the glasses are put at the right.

## How to Make Egg Omelets.

A good way to make egg omelets is to boil three or four eggs for ten minutes, dip them in cold water for a minute or two and strip off the shells, cut off the ends of each egg and divide into four pieces, dip each piece in the well-beaten yolk of an egg, then in bread crumbs, rather highly seasoned with pepper, salt and a teaspoonful of very finely-minced parsley; fry in boiling butter until brown, serve with potatoes sliced thin and fried to a light brown; garnish with parsley.

## How to Preserve the Table Cloth.

The custom of brushing a tablecloth instead of shaking it as formerly has two good points. It does not scatter the crumbs abroad, but collects them tidily. And it does not crumple the cloth, which was sadly missed in the old time method of clearing the table.

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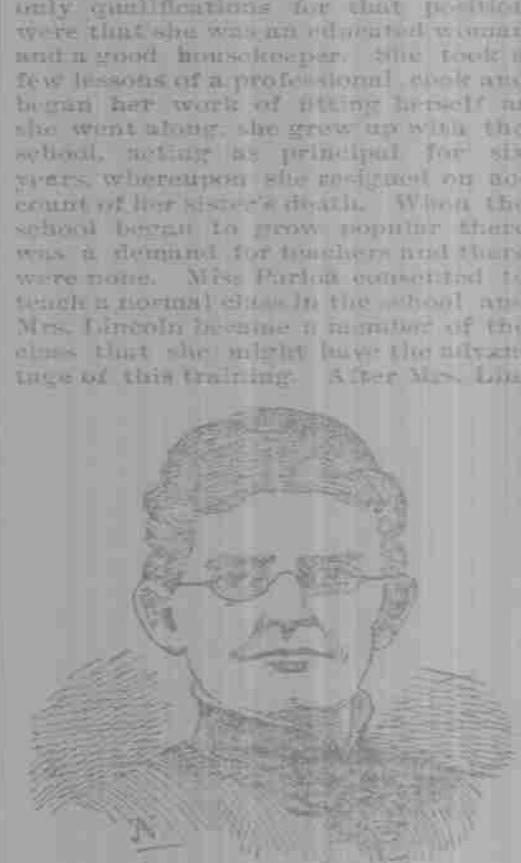
## THE ART OF COOKING.

A New and Useful Calling for Intelligent Women.

The Story of a Pioneer Worker in the Slave Cause—Mrs. D. A. Lincoln and the Work She Has Accomplished.

In her valuable lecture delivered before the woman's congress at the world's fair, Mrs. D. A. Lincoln said: "Cookery is one of the highest and most essential arts, and I say cooking should be carried on according to certain scientific principles. I hope that I shall see the time when the subject of food, in all its various phases, from the chemistry of its formation to its physiological effects, will be a science by itself and taught in all our schools; being made a leading feature of the curriculum." A beginning has been made in this direction by the introduction of cooking into our public schools. In seven years classes have been successfully conducted in school kitchens, especially adapted for the purpose, in New Haven, Providence, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and New York, and many other cities have followed in the good work. In Massachusetts the legislators have been considering the question of introducing cooking into the high schools of every city of 20,000 inhabitants.

The teaching of cooking is a comparatively new field for women. Miss Parloa, of Boston, and Mrs. Corson, of New York, were the pioneers. Mrs. Lincoln, of Boston, coming on the field about a year later. At this time there were five leading teachers in the country, including Mrs. Taylor, who taught in the west, and Mrs. Rover of Philadelphia. Miss Parloa was the first to start a school of cooking, which was a very expensive private school in Boston. The women's educational association wanted to start a cheaper school and out of this grew the Boston cooking school, whose first principal was Mrs. D. A. Lincoln. Mrs. Lincoln says that her only qualifications for that position were that she was an educated woman and a good housekeeper. She took a few lessons of a professional cook and began her work of fitting herself as she went along; she grew up with the school, acting as principal for six years, whereupon she resigned on account of her sister's death. When the school began to grow popular there were none. Mrs. Parloa continued to teach a normal class in the school and Mrs. Lincoln became a member of the class that she might have the advantage of this training. After Mrs. Lin-



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coln left the Boston cooking school one of her pupils succeeded her as principal and so on down to the present time, which fact led some one to say of Mrs. Lincoln, "She was not only its first principal but its principal," for her work has always been used there, and from this school teachers have gone out all over the country.

In the field of cooking now the demand is for teachers for the public schools, and these teachers receive the regular public school salary; a good teacher can now be fairly certain of obtaining a situation. A high school education is necessary and in some cases a teacher is required to have a normal school training. Cooking is a study that embodies much of a great many sciences—chemistry, physiology, botany, physics and natural history. So little attention has as yet been paid to the science of cooking that there is in this art a wide field for original work. The schools and some of the colleges are beginning to see the needs of the time, and courses in physiology, sanitary science and hygiene are being established with especial reference to the requirements of teachers of cooking.

There are not now enough paying positions in this country for the women who look to teaching as their only means of support. Our young women ought to realize what a splendid opportunity there is for them in this field, for at present it is somewhat difficult to find teachers fully and adequately equipped for carrying out an ideal course in cooking. On the importance of this same art, John Lincoln says: "Cookery means cleanliness, inventiveness, watchfulness, willingness and readiness of appliance. It makes the economy of our great grandmothers. It means much tasting and no wasting."

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## THEY WERE TALKING OF HOLDUPS,

And a Timely Robber Dropped In and Showed Them All Just How It Feels.

Five men were held up by one man the other night. It happened about 10:30 in John Crowl's saloon. The highwayman was masked about the face with a piece of black muslin. He secured \$10 and a revolver. Mr. Crowl, John Pierce, Joseph and James Broughton, and Abe Harris were having a social game of cards when the stranger stealthily appeared at the front door with the command:

"Throw your hands up, and if any one of you makes a move I'll blow the top of your head off," and he emphasized his remarks with a cocked revolver pointed directly at Mr. Crowl.

Ten hands timidly pointed heavenward. The robber came, "Now will up to the bar, one by one, and empty your pockets."

The men fumbled through their pockets and produced knives, keys and a few dollars in change. Mr. Crowl, he said, "Take your wallet out of your inside pocket and place it on the bar." Mr. Crowl said he had no wallet, and then he was told to take his vest off, but the robber found nothing.

"Let me see your watches," he next said, "and don't any of you make a move." The watches were produced, but they didn't suit the robber, and he gave them back.

Addressing Abe Harris, he said, "Take your coat off," which request was complied with, and while the robber was searching this Harris put both hands thoughtlessly in his hand pockets. "Take your hands from there quick, — you, or I'll blow your head off!" commanded the stranger. "Now take your vest off," he demanded.

"My vest! What's that?" asked Harris. "Oh, your waistcoat, lie means," said Pierce.

The robber found 35 cents on Harris, and he asked him what his occupation was. "I am a miner," he said, and the thief gave him his 35 cents back, saying he didn't want it. "And what's your occupation?" he asked of James Broughton. "I'm a miner too," "You're a liar," said the thief. Mr. Broughton is a miner too.

All this took some time, and the men were getting tired with their hands held up. Pierce said that he was tired, and clasping his hands he rested them on his chest.

Having searched the men to his satisfaction, he compelled them to stand against the wall. He slowly backed up to the end of the bar, holding the pistol at Crowl all the time. Going around the bar, facing the men, he went to the money drawer and pulled it out from behind with his left hand and emptied its contents, about \$15, on the bar. Then he went to a drawer at a writing desk and took a 41 caliber pistol. There was a box of 38 cartridges there, and though they did not fit he filled the pistol just the same.

"Ain't you going to treat, partner?" asked Pierce. The robber promised to call around again and treat. "I don't like to do this, gentlemen," he said, "but I have to." Then he came back behind the bar, locked the front door, backed up the full length of the saloon, taking the key with him, and went out the back door. The key was afterward found in the back yard.

"The whole thing lasted about 15 minutes, but it seemed like hours," said Mr. Crowl. "I was awful glad to see him go. He was evidently new in the business, because he did not make us turn our pockets inside out. If he'd be, he would have got \$100 I had in a purse in my pants pocket, and he overlooked \$60 I had in a cigar box behind the bar."

James Broughton also had \$25 in his pockets. The robber seemed to hasten after the money drawer principally. There are several other drawers of the same kind behind the bar, but the visitor knew where the right one was.

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